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BUSINESS RESOURCE AND DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR NEXT MONTH

Beatrice, Neb. February 24, 2003 – A Business Resource and Development Seminar will be held on March 26, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express located at 4005 North 6th Street (North Hwy 77) in Beatrice, Nebraska. Registration starts at 9 a.m. with the program following at 9:15 a.m. There will be no pre-registration. A \$5 fee will be collected at the door for lunch, breaks, and materials.

This seminar will feature resources available to financial institutions for business start-up and expansion lending; programs offered to communities to assist in community-wide business development; and assistance at hand to prospective businesses and business leaders.

Gain business insight from a resource panel of experts from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, USDA Rural Development, U.S. Small Business Administration and the Rural Enterprise Assistance Project.

The seminar is sponsored by USDA Rural Development, U.S. Small Business Administration, Nebraska Department of Economic Development, Nebraska Development Network-Southeast Region, Beatrice Chamber of Commerce, Gage County Economic Development. For more information, call Cliff Kumm, USDA Rural Development at (402) 223-3125, ext. 4.

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